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SUBJECT:PRESS BRIEFING EXCERPTS

THE FOLLOWING Q & A'S HAVE BEEN EXCERPTED FROM THE DEPARTMENT  
PRESS BRIEFING OF APRIL 29, 1977:

Q: CAN I ASK YOU A COUPLE OF ETHIOPIA QUESTIONS?

A: YES. WHY NOT? IT'S FRIDAY.

Q: TWO OF THEM: THERE HAVE BEEN REPORTS FROM ADDIS THAT THE  
ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT IS ABOUT TO START A VERSION TWO OF THE  
PEOPLE'S MARCH AGAINST ERITREA. DO WE KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT  
THAT ONE?

A: YES --

Q: THAT HAS BEEN A REPORT IN THE FRENCH PRESS THAT THE SOVIET  
UNION HAS BEEN OFFERING PORTING FACILITIES AT MAWASSI, WHICH  
IS AN ETHIOPIAN PORT.

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A: SCOTT, I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ON EITHER ONE OF THOSE  
QUESTIONS. I HAVE SEEN THE SAME REPORT, INsofar AS THE  
PEOPLE'S MARCH. ON THE PORT FACILITY, I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING.

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